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For: Bright Pointer for Instrument Cluster

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- ☒ A 16-page patent application
☒ 2 sheet of drawings - ☒ Formal ☐ Informal
☒ An Assignment of the invention to Siemens VDO Automotive Corporation
☐ A certified copy of a _____ application.
☒ A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.
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☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
☐ PTO Form 1449 with copies of patents cited in specification. (IDS).
☐ Preliminary Amendment.
☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
☒ This application claims priority to Provisional Application No. 60,433,201, filed December 12, 2002.

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